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September 29 has been fixed as the date for the Judiciary Convention.

JOY OVER THE GOOD NEWS.

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THE MAGNITUDE OF THE VICTORY A SURPRISE TO THE MOST SANGUINE—HOW THE DISPACHES WERE RECEIVED.

There was a big crowd in front of the newspaper offices last night eagerly reading the returns from Maine. That they were not noisy is due to the fact that the magnitude of the Republican vote struck them speechless. Occasionally some one would find his tongue for a quiet remark and then hold his breath till the next dispatch was posted. Some of the figures called forth facetious remarks. For instance, when the dispatch read: "Humphamawgatt gives Powers 162, Frank 15," a tall, lintern-jawed man drawled out: "Well, at that rate Bryan will get a good election of what 16 to 1 means." Soon a dispatch said another unpronounceable town had gone Republican by about 52,000. Old politicians stood about with election tables in their hands and made figures and comments.

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TWO MEN HURT BY A TROLLEY SMASH.

THE CAR STRUCK A WAGON AND SERIOUSLY INJURED THE DRIVER—A PASSENGER THROWN TO THE PAVEMENT.

Meadowbrook Club—W. C. Eustis, Thomas Hitchcock, Jr., C. C. Baldwin and Benjamin Neill, Rockaway Club—J. S. Stevens, J. E. Cowdin, Foxhall P. Keay and G. P. Eustis.

On the throw-most of the play was speedy transferred to Meadowbrook's territory and the ball went about at a lively rate. The Meadowbrook men made a hard stand over in the left centre of their field after four minutes play with time for fresh mounts. The Meadowbrook man, after this, being closely pressed, resorted to a safety hit, struck by Neill. Again they were pressed and Hitchcock scored a safety. After the ball was once more brought out Eustis, for Rockaway, advanced it. He was supported by Stevens, who carried it still further forward, and scored with two straightaway strokes after four and a half minutes' play.

The second goal was also won by Stevens. The ball was only twice in Rockaway's territory, and only for an instant each time. After three minutes of play the ball went out of bounds. It was struck in by Keay, and driving on the track in front of the car. He turned out, as he supposed, when the car was upon him, but not sufficient to allow it to pass without striking the wagon. As the car struck the wagon the latter was overturned and Murphy thrown to the street. He fell directly in front of the car, and before Thomas Perry, the motorman, could bring the car to a standstill, it had struck him and dragged him severely. The force of the collision threw Dr. Ernest Hepenstall, a surgeon of New York, 544 Broadway, who was passing on the car, from his seat to the street, and his right thigh was broken by the fall.

The car was open one, and he was sitting on the front seat on the end. The other passengers on the car were also badly shaken up and greatly frightened. Murphy and Hepenstall were removed to St. Catherine's Hospital, and the motorman was arrested.

BLOCK SIGNALS AT CROSSINGS.

THE BROOKLYN HEIGHTS ROAD TO USE THIS SYSTEM IN CONNECTION WITH THE LONG ISLAND ROAD.

Passengers on Brooklyn trolley railroads have long been annoyed at the primitive means used to prevent accidents where the line of the road crosses some steam railroad. At these dangerous places a red flag by day or a red light by night, stuck up on a staff in the middle of the track, serves to warn motormen of their approach to the crossing. When the car gets within a few feet of the danger signal the motorman brings it to a stop, the conductor jumps off, and, after looking anxiously up and down the track for a moment, signals the motorman to "Come on." The car then passes over the track.

President Rosller, of the Brooklyn Heights Railroad, was formerly superintendent of the New-York Central, Buffalo Division, and was brought here, as many know, by ex-Governor Flower to take charge of the Brooklyn roads. Ever since he came the company has been making improvements to add to the safety of its passengers, the last of which is a new system of block signals at the crossings of the Long Island Railroad. Arrangements were made between these two companies by which the trolley road assumed the expense of putting in the signals and the steam road agreed to operate them.

The system is the same as the one in use on several of the Vanderbilt lines. The operator works in a tower close beside the Long Island Railroad tracks. A set of wires connects the tower with two semaphores on either side of the crossing. Under the plan adopted by Mr. Rosller the semaphore is always set at danger. Its presence is a command to the motorman to stop, and when it is set to stop, the trolley operator is to stop the train. After the car has stopped, the operator to the tower satisfies himself that there is no train near and changes the signal to "road clear." The signal is given to the motorman, and the train goes through, and they crossed and passed without rashness of consequences. The ball was out of bounds on time in the eighth and a half minutes of play. The ball was in the middle of the field when the players claimed the penalty, and a half-goal came with a fraction of their points. But in the tenth, when they had reached the ball and had passed it to the center, they crossed and passed again.

Colonel George S. Benson was arraigned yesterday on a charge of passing a worthless check on William Burrill. He told Justice Walsh that he was not prepared to go on with his examination, and it was put down for the 23d. In default of \$500 bail he was sent to jail.

D. A. Sammis, a member of the Liberty Wheelmen's Club, was thrown from his wheel yesterday morning at Butler-st. and East New-York-ave., and had his collar-bone broken. He was attended by Dr. Heleok and afterward removed to his home.

The members of the Manhattan Club met at their clubhouse last night to take appropriate action on the death of Farrel F. Cowley, who died on Sunday. Mr. Cowley had been an active member of the club for ten years and prominently identified with its management, contributing much to the success which it now enjoys. He had served the club as secretary, vice-president and president. He was also captain of the Manhattan Cyclers, a member of the American Council of C. C., and for the last thirteen years connected with the Appraisers' Department of the New-York Custom House. He was the eldest son of Farrel F. Cowley, M. D., who during the Civil War was surgeon of the Irish Brigade. The funeral will take place on Thursday at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, at No. 255 Henry-st.

A BROOKLYN INSTITUTE TEACHER.

William E. Chancellor, M. A., has been selected to conduct the courses in sociology, American and European politics and civil government at the Brooklyn Institute School of Political Science the coming year. Mr. Chancellor is an alumnus of Amherst College, having graduated in 1889. He instructed at the Brooklyn Institute for three years and later travelled through Europe, studying in France and Italy and under Luigi Cossa at the University of Sienna. On his return to America he travelled for a lecture bureau in Nebraska, Kansas and Colorado. One of his popular lectures was on "The Course of American Politics," showing that the coming issue in the United States is that of industrial liberty. Last year Mr. Chancellor was principal of a school in Waterbury, Conn. When teaching in that city he was selected as the instructor in history. Mr. Chancellor, in speaking of his instruction, said: "I hope to interest the young men and women of Brooklyn in his lectures, since many of them are interested in the technicalities easily grasped by the average mind."

Liberal Applause.—"Did you notice what a lot of applause I got?" asked the young orator proudly.

"I did," answered the old stagey. "And did you notice that the audience, or some of the rest of us quoted Lincoln or Jefferson, or some of the rest of them?"—(Indianapolis Journal).

THE CHAMPIONS AT POLO.

BY DEFEATING THE MEADOWBROOKS THE ROCKAWAYS GET THE ASTOR CUP.

IT WAS A GAME OF SEVERAL UPSETS AND MUCH EXCITEMENT, AND WAS WITNESSED BY AN IMMENSE CROWD OF PEOPLE.

The Rockaway Club won yesterday in the cup championship polo games against the Meadowbrook Club by a score of 7 to 6. The close score and the sharp, brilliant play on both sides made the final game of the series the most exciting contest which has been seen in this part of the country for years, not excepting the game between the Myopias and the Rockaway Hunt Club last season, when the Myopias won the championship series for 1895-6. By the rules of the National Association the Rockaway Club is now entitled to hold the Astor Cup for a year before competing for a continuation of its possession.

"Ah, well! with such returns? Why don't they make it unanimous?" said a Popocrat, as he turned away in disgust. About 9:30 o'clock a bulletin was posted announcing that from present indications the State had gone Republican by about 52,000. Old politicians stood about with election tables in their hands and made figures and comments.

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